



Love God  
Love Others



# Ramsgate Salvation Army

## Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023

A warm welcome as we gather as the family of God today,  
especially if you are not normally with us on a Sunday.  
May we all feel the welcome of God and each other.

**We meet at The Salvation Army Hall Sunday 10.30 am.**

**Also Sunday worship is** livestreamed on  **YouTube**

You can find a link on the Ramsgate Salvation Army Web page

[www.salvationarmy.org.uk/ramsgate](http://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/ramsgate)



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## **Lent Starts on Wednesday 22 February**

The three main things we might consider focussing on during Lent are prayer, fasting (abstaining from something to reduce distractions and focus more on God) and giving, or charity.

Prayer during Lent focuses on our need for God's forgiveness. It's also about repenting (turning away from our sins) and receiving God's mercy and love.

Fasting, or giving something up, is a very common practice during Lent. The idea is that giving up something that's a regular part of life, like eating dessert or scrolling through Facebook, can be a reminder of Jesus' sacrifice. That time can also be replaced with more time connecting with God.

Giving money (our self-denial appeal is deliberately planned during this period) or doing something good for others is a way to respond to God's grace, generosity and love. For example, some people spend time volunteering or donate money they would normally use to buy something, like their morning coffee.

It's important to note that doing these things can never make us earn or deserve Jesus' sacrifice or a relationship with God. People are flawed and will never be good enough for a perfect God. Only Jesus has the power to rescue us from ourselves.

Jesus sacrificed Himself on Good Friday to bear the punishment for all our wrongdoings and offer us forgiveness. He was raised from the dead on Easter Sunday to give us an opportunity to have a relationship with God for eternity.

Spending time during Lent praying, fasting and giving can make Jesus' sacrifice on Good Friday and His resurrection on Easter even more meaningful.

### **A short prayer for the Lenten period**

Lord, as we enter Lent help us to draw near to you in praise, stripping away all that distracts us from worship. Amen

## What's happening at Ramsgate Salvation Army?

Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	10.00 Prayers, 10.30 God's promises 11.00 Sunday school <b>NO</b> 4.30 pm meeting this week.
Monday to Friday (6.30am-9am)	Breakfast Drop-in <b>Soup run for the street homeless each evening.</b>
Monday (9.30 am – 11.30 am)	Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler group) New ACE overcomers course starts today
Tuesday	Prayers 9.30am Food Parcel preparation (from 09.30) <b>NO</b> The Well (10.30am) Light Lunch (12 noon) Bible study (1 pm)
Wednesday (from 11 am)	Friendship club and Lunch club Speak-Up using community hall <b>ASH WEDNESDAY REFLECTION 6pm-7pm</b> Music Practices 7pm -9pm
Thursday	Forward Trust at Hall <b>NO</b> Community Music from 5.30pm <b>EVENING OF PRAYER FOR UKRAINE (7PM)</b>
Friday (10am - 12 noon)	Food Bank
Friday (10.30am)	War Cry Sales Ukrainian Language Class (1.30pm) Kids Club (6pm to 7.30pm)
Saturday	Mini Market 10 to 1pm <b>No</b> Ukrainian Drop-In (11am to 1pm)
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday worship 10.30am – Sunday school from 11am. <b>Worship 4.30pm</b>
<b>World Day of Prayer (Hardres Street Church) 3rd March</b>	
<b>Self Denial Altar Service 5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	

**Ramsgate Salvation Army**  
**High Street Ramsgate**  
 Invite you to our

**Table Top**  
 & Bric a brac sale

(Tables available at £6 - call 07752215789)

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**February**  
**10.00 am – 1.00 pm**

Gifts and hand made goods  
 Home made cakes & preserves

Tea and Coffee  
**Late Breakfast & Light Lunch**



PIANO BY THE SEA  
 PRESENTS



**A CONCERT  
 IN AID OF THE RNLI**

**SATURDAY 4 MARCH 2023 3.00PM**  
 SALVATION ARMY  
 167 HIGH ST  
 RAMSGATE CT11 9TT

TICKETS  
 £10.00 ON THE DOOR

PERFORMED BY MEMBERS OF PIANO BY THE SEA PIANO CLUB

**SELF DENIAL ALTAR SERVICE**  
**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

**The Salvation Army**  
 Celebrates 150 years in Chatham

**Service of Celebration at Rochester Cathedral**  
**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023 - 5.30pm**

with local Salvation Army bands and songsters  
 In the Presence of:

General Brian & Commissioner Rosalee Puddle  
(Members of the Workplaces of The Salvation Army)

Commissioners Anthony & Gillian Cottrell  
(Leaders of The Salvation Army UK (England & CI))

Mayor of Medway Cllr Jan Aldous  
 Lord Lieutenant of Kent Lady Colgrain  
 Kent High Sheriff Mr Russell Race  
 Members of Parliament  
 Church representatives  
 past Salvation Army Officers of Chatham

Admission: FREE Ticket



**Flowers this Sunday are thanks to Maggie.**

**Birthdays**

Jordan Tuesday 21 February

Our prayers continue for **Major Katherine Blowers** who is unwell and for her family as they care for her. We remember **Claire Harden** following her long awaited surgery and pray for complete healing. We continue to uphold **Jan** as she waits for her surgery and likewise for **John McCairn**. John's recent procedure was not successful and he will be receiving care at Kings College Hospital. Jan also lost her sister Doris and we remember her in her grief. We give thanks that Jan welcomed a great grandchild this week. We pray for Peter Ford admitted to QEQM last Thursday. Helen is poorly this morning and unable to join with us.

**June James**, Grant's mum and nan of Sam, Rebecca and Georgina is very unwell and receiving care in a Coventry Hospital. Grant and Sue are visiting each weekend. Pray she may know God's comfort and receive positive plans for her continued care.

We thank God for the healing of Lindsay's nan **Linda** who has returned home at long last after many weeks in a London hospital. Pray for Lindsay as she cares.

We continue to pray for **Isobel**. We hope to see her soon. We continue to pray Janet's son **Richard**. We pray for **Paul**, a friend of Douglas as he continues experimental new treatment. We uphold in prayer Angela's sister **Teresa**. We remember **Douglas** in our devotions who has much work pressure at the moment.